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Building restoration hinges on blueprints

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

A worldwide search for missing blueprints is on, with a reward of \$1,000 up for grabs.

Plans to restore the Donald Chemical Plant distribution centre are temporarily on hold, until blueprints of the historic building can be found, said project founder and co-ordinator Leora Berman.

Initiated four years ago, the project includes transforming the building in Donald, which used to be part of the chemical plant that employed hundreds of people from the area and around the world.

By restoring the building, the project will turn the abandoned site into a space for local construction businesses and contractors, to be called the Eco-Innovation Centre Cooperative.

The building was donated to the project by former owner Jim O'Connor and built by Westinghouse Engineering in 1908, said Berman.

"Everything for this project is set-up," she said. "We've got one of the largest engineering firms in Canada donating all the engineering ... they came up and fell in love with the building and see how unique it is."

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Last Resort launches at summer festival

Actress Sam Geatz playing Julia Youngstead sings a song of love and seduction that dazzles Adam Miller, left, playing Nick Galeazzo, and David Mills playing Sid Barzini during rehearsal of *The Last Resort*. Go to page 16 for more. **Farron Main** Special to the Echo

GeoTour being developed in Highlands East

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

The geocaching committee of Highlands East want to create a GeoTour for the area and the municipality is on board.

Representatives of the committee Joanne Vanier and Mary Barker made a delegation to council at their July 8 meeting, hoping to gain both approval and financial support.

A subcommittee of the Algonquin Gateway Business Association, the geocaching group has already gained support from many organizations, including the Ontario Highlands Tourism Organization, which has verbally committed \$5,000 to the project and the Haliburton County Development Corporation, which has contributed \$3,000.

The AGBA will be giving \$1,200 to the project, according to Barker.

With an estimated initial cost of \$11,500 needed to create the tour, the committee is approximately \$2,300 short.

The group is hoping the tour will bring not only economic development to Highlands East but will reinforce its reputation as the geocaching capital of Canada.

According to the committee's report to council, there are only 37 tours worldwide, five of which are in Canada and only one in Ontario.

Geocaching refers to an outdoor recreational activity that invites participants to find small boxes, also known as caches,

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MOE rejects sewage request, hauler files appeal

Jenn Watt
Editor

The Ministry of Environment has denied an application by a sewage hauler to continue spreading waste on a property near West Guilford.

Following complaints from residents Jen Maher and Scott Welch, the MOE chose not to re-approve use of the site.

“The reason was based on the numerous and repeated occasions when odours from the site have caused adjacent landowners the loss of the normal use and enjoyment of their property,” said MOE Peterborough district manager David Bradley in an email to the paper.

For many years, Maher and Welch, along with their neighbours have complained to the government that the smells of human waste being spread on a field behind their home interrupted normal activities such as barbecuing and hanging clothes outdoors to dry.

They were also concerned that the waste could be poisoning the lake, which is downhill from the property.

Bradley said water samples have been collected and a technical review is ongoing.

The hauler has appealed the decision to the Environmental Review Tribunal.

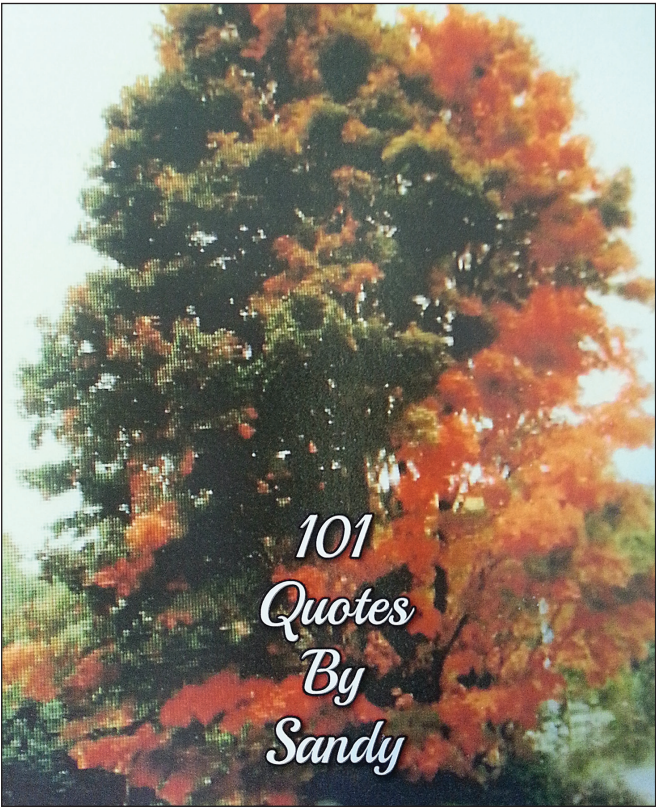
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[R]epeated occasions when odours from the site have caused adjacent landowners the loss of the normal use ... of their property.

— David Bradley, MOE

Correction

Highlands wakeboarder Jacob Bishop was incorrectly referenced Jacob Hunter in the Head Lake to host wakeboarding elite. The *Echo* apologizes for the error.



Wilberforce resident releases quote book

Ken Sanderson of Wilberforce has just released a small flipbook of quotes collected over his last 90 years. *Called 101 Quotes by Sandy*, the book is available at Master’s Bookstore in Haliburton and Agnew’s in Wilberforce for \$5. The book offers tidbits of wisdom such as “Success isn’t always crossing the line first, it is helping others on the way.” The name “Sandy” is a nickname for Ken Sanderson, who is also working on a book of history to be titled *Come, Walk with Me*.

Military exercises scheduled for this week

The Ontario Provincial Police and the Canadian Armed Forces will take part in a joint training exercise in the Haliburton County area from July 15 to July 21.

During the routine joint training, residents may see a police or military presence in the area.

The training has been co-ordinated with local authorities and stakeholders near the training site.

The training site was carefully selected to minimize negative impact for people living and working in the area.

Safety precautions have been taken to prevent risk to the general public and the personnel involved. As such, this training is not open to the public. Personnel are on-site for the training to provide additional public safety measures in keeping citizens safe.

The exercise is expected to conclude on July 21.

The Canadian Armed Forces wish to thank the public for their support and understanding during this exercise.

It should be noted that there will be no public or media access to the exercise.

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No injuries in truck fire

At 12:22 p.m. on Monday, July 14, nine firefighters from the Dysart Fire Department responded to a truck fire on Amaleen Drive, just north of Haliburton along 118. The vehicle was a Greg Brown Construction work vehicle on its way to the West Guilford landfill. The lone occupant of the vehicle, Jamie McMahon, sustained no injuries, as he was out of the truck well before it was engulfed in flames. In a press release, fire chief Miles Maughan said the cause of the fire was unknown and that there was a damage estimate of \$8,000.

Zach Cox Staff

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The former Standard Chemical distribution centre in Donald is in the midst of a revitalization project, with plans to turn the building into an eco-innovation co-operative showcasing the Highlands construction industry. Project co-ordinator Leora Berman is looking for the original blueprints for the building before the project can move forward.
Angelica Blenich Staff



It's the coolest building in Ontario if not Canada.

— Leora Berman
Donald building renovation co-ordinator

Old building stirs passions

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Other area contractors are contributing to the project as well, said Berman.

Since the project got started it has received more than \$40,000 in funding from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, which was used to fix the roof, do some work on the exterior of the building and create a business plan and feasibility study for the new concept, said Berman.

Apart from OTF, many other provincial partners have come on board, as well as the Haliburton County Development Corporation and local contractors, who have given monetary donations and in-kind contributions, said Berman.

"Two years of research, surveys and data shows that the repurposing of the building will benefit the economy in Haliburton and six agencies backing the project including local contractors shows the value this project holds for the community," Berman told the paper.

The wide range of participation indicates how important and significant the building is, said Berman.

The former plant was constructed with concrete and chain reinforcements, making it unique and all the more pertinent the original blueprints are found, said Berman.

"If not found we will have to re-engineer the building which means it will no longer be a significant heritage site," she said.

Featured in history books, the plant was a major part of Haliburton's economy in the early 1900s, as many settlers of the area came here initially to work at the chemical plant.

While many in the area are supportive of the intention to revitalize the building, others have brought up concerns to both Ber-

man and the paper.

Koshlong Lake area resident Jim St. John doesn't believe the project is viable or sustainable.

"I feel it has zero prospect for success when the money could be much better spent helping Ontario's poorest county," St. John told the paper. "I think it looks wonderful on paper, I think realistically the possibility of having a viable business opportunity in Donald ... for what is essentially a niche business ... is unrealistic."

St. John said that he and some neighbours he's talked to did see roof repair and cleanup activity at the site in the past few years and that he does believe the building looks better now than when the project first began.

"The site is improved from what it used to be," he said.

He also believes there were newish-looking windows installed in the building, but those windows have since disappeared, he said, replaced by plywood covering the openings.

"There were definitely new or newer windows replaced up top," he said. "Now there's nothing but a bunch of old, recycled windows and dirty pieces of plywood covering the window openings."

St. John said he is unsure of what happened with the windows.

According to Berman the windows on the building have been removed and repaired by O'Connor, who has been fixing them and replacing them back in the building for free, as a donation to the project. The co-ordinator said no new windows were put in the building since the project began.

"Some of the windows Jim has taken to Highland Glas, where he refinishes them and then puts them back in," said Berman.

Berman stresses that no municipal tax dollars have been used for the project and that funds from OTF are earmarked for innovative projects such as this.

"It's the coolest building in Ontario if not Canada," said Berman.

The site has been prepared to be restored and all the economic development research and surveys have been done to create a business plan to ensure the reuse of the building would benefit the community in a sustainable way, said Berman.

"This is all a volunteer effort, no one is being paid," she said.

Not only is Berman passionate about the project, she believes in it and how it will benefit the community.

The plan is to turn the building in a co-operative of contractors and industry businesses, who will use the centre to showcase their business and skill set.

"The best use of the building, to benefit this community, is the construction industry, the second largest industry in Haliburton," said Berman. "We want to give the construction industry a big boost through this building, so that they can retain jobs and get new contracts so we can keep food on the table for local families."

Once the blueprints are received Berman estimates it will take a year or longer to completely restore the building.

The co-ordinator said she's always been open to discussion or questions about the project and invites those that want further information to contact her.

For more information on the project or about the blueprints visit www.building-between.ca or contact Berman at 705-457-4838 or email TLB@Thelandbetween.ca.

Tour to be part of worldwide organization

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around the world with a global positioning system. Once a cache is found the individual records his or her information into a logbook.

By establishing a GeoTour, 100 geocaches will be hidden throughout the area, including Irondale, Gooderham, Tory Hill, Wilberforce, Harcourt, Highland Grove and Cardiff, according to the committee.

Awards will be given to those who complete stages of the tour as well as the entire tour.

"I find this project very appealing," said Councillor Joan Barton.

Apart from the initial costs of creating the tour, there is a yearly renewal fee of \$2,000 U.S.

If established, the AGBA will be responsible for funding the yearly renewal fee, according to the committee.

The Highlands East tour will be part of worldwide organization and be marketed through www.geocaching.com and social media.

"I think we need to be as supportive as we can," said Deputy-reeve Suzanne Partridge.

"It's a no-brainer," said Councillor Cec Ryall.

The committee will be working on the tour this upcoming fall and hope to have it out by April 2015, said Barker.

Council passed a resolution to approve the tour and give financial support in the amount of \$2,300.

You get what you pay for: the cost of local food

Jenn Watt
Editor

This is one in a series of articles about local food issues in Haliburton County.

When the Barlows bring salads to the Haliburton Farmers' Market, the ingredients are only hours old, grown in pesticide-free soil a short drive away from their vendors' booth.

So when someone criticizes the product for being more expensive than a salad at a grocery store, Bryan Barlow has a problem with that.

"Damn right you should pay more for it. Seriously. I feel passionately about that," says Barlow, who along with his wife Beverly has been farming near Minden since 2004.

Their salads cost \$7 for about 300 grams and includes a host of veggies you won't usually find in grocery store salads such as brassicas, chrysanthemums, leaf celery, sorrel, beet tops, kale, chicory and more.

Their farm, Hunter Creek Ranch, produces lamb, beef, poultry and various vegetables on a property that is not certified organic, but uses no pesticides or growth hormones.

Bryan Barlow is vice-president of the Haliburton County Farmers' Association and says for the commercial farms in the county weather, along with added costs of being small scale, can drive prices up.

But it's worth the cost, he said. An example he gives is of garlic, which is one of the more prolific products grown in the Highlands.

Cheap garlic is plentiful due to production methods in China, he says, which involves large scale production and low labour costs; however, the taste cannot compare with that grown in Haliburton.

"The garlic that Richard and Angel [Taylor] grow ... is so different from the Chinese garlic," he said.

Angel Taylor is chairwoman of the Haliburton County Farmers' Market Association and along with husband Richard, runs The Nest Egg in Blairhampton between Haliburton and Minden.

"Chinese garlic may sell for \$2 to \$3 [a pound] while the garlic sold in Haliburton County runs around \$12 to \$14 [a pound] as it does in many other parts of Ontario - sometimes even higher priced," Taylor wrote in an email to the paper.

According to Taylor, the Chinese garlic is of the soft-neck kind, while local garlic is hard-neck, which grows better in colder climates.

Hard-neck garlic takes longer to mature and has larger cloves and a spicier taste, she said.

"China is by far the largest producer of soft neck garlic. That garlic is sprayed, bleached with chlorine to make it whiter, irradiated and treated with chemicals for longer shelf life. It may be fertilized using human waste," she said.

The difference in price accounts for those differences as well as the knowledge that plants grown by members of the Garlic Growers' Association use "only natural manual growing methods and no chemicals."

Along with garlic, the Taylors also

Customers line up at the McLean's berry farm table at a recent Haliburton farmers' market to buy fresh strawberries and raspberries. While some fruit and vegetables that are in season are comparable in price to those in the grocery store, others are more expensive. Consumers who buy local food have to make decisions with their dollars.



Herb Titze stands in one of the hoop houses at Abbey Gardens near West Guilford in June. Titze is in charge of the garden operations, which includes co-ordinating the growing as well as putting on workshops.

Jenn Watt Staff



Andrew von Zuben watches over his chicks at Bedrock and Brambles south of Gooderham. The von Zuben family are homesteaders, meaning they do a bit of everything and strive to be self-sufficient.

produce lamb, eggs, poultry and other vegetables.

Angel Taylor said the cost difference often comes from how expensive it can be to run a "very small farm."

"Very small farms do not have economies of scale," said Taylor. "They can't afford to buy large equipment or [pay] people to help with the work. ... Often they use different production methods from

industrial farms."

Industrial farming usually means producing just one thing efficiently such as chicken or corn.

The shorter days, cooler climates and rocky soil of the Haliburton Highlands prohibits industrial farming, so those who grow food or raise animals in the area must run small farms out of necessity.

It can lead to increased prices, but food producers argue it means a better quality product and practices worth investing in.

At Abbey Gardens in West Guilford, Food Hub manager Jim Vidoczy said prices at his store can be more expensive than commercially produced food for a variety of reasons.

"Because [commercial farmers] plant vast fields using artificial irrigation and fertilizers and mechanical harvesting, the cost per tomato [for example] is very low compared to someone using labour-intensive methods: hand weeding, not putting fertilizer in, not killing bugs with pesticide," he said.

Despite that, Herb Titze, garden operations manager at Abbey Gardens, said he expects prices for local

foods to eventually even out with commercial operations.

"In the next 10 years, this [price difference] will change. One reason is transportation. I would say locally grown organic food will become cheaper," said Titze, who teaches workshops and manages the demonstration gardens on site.

As the cost of oil increases, shipping any food will become more expensive, Titze said, and locally produced products will be better able to compete on price point.

In some cases, a higher price simply correlates with a product that is harder to grow or raise, said homesteader Andrew von Zuben.

"The meat that we offer, for example, is the heritage pure breeds. They take much longer to grow," he said.

Andrew and Kira von Zuben bought their property, Bedrock and Brambles, south of Gooderham in 2004 and slowly got into growing vegetables and raising animals over the last decade.

Von Zuben challenged the notion that local food was more expensive in all cases, saying if something was in season, the local option is likely about the same price.

However, when it comes to organics or premium products, that changes.

"These chickens that are being raised now for the fast food industry are being raised in less than 40 days," he said.

"As far as food price goes, people looking at our birds want something that's older and that costs more and because we're organic we charge a premium price for those products."

At Hunter Creek Ranch, the Barlows raise the only grass-fed lamb in Haliburton County and Bryan Barlow said the quality difference is worth any additional cost.

In fact, any of the lamb in the county is much different than what comes from Australia or New Zealand.

"The point to be made is it's not the same products. Why should it be the same price?" he said.



Evenfall rehearsals

Choreographer Julie Barban makes some adjustments to the positioning of Julian Anderson and Rebecca Hamilton as they practice Evenfall, the local youth piece that will be premiering at Dusk Dances Haliburton, running July 17 to 20.

Zach Cox Staff



Julian Anderson and Rebecca Hamilton practice their part in Evenfall in Head Lake Park on Saturday, July 5.



Chloe Morissette passes through an arch of her fellow dancers during a practice of *Evenfall* on Saturday, July 5.

Dance the week away

Grab some friends and come have some fun in the dance workshops being held each evening before Dusk Dances from 6 to 6:45 p.m. in Head Lake Park. All workshops are designed for people of all abilities to have fun and try something new. No experience required. It is a great way to warm-up before you watch the evening performance. Bring your own water bottle! All workshops are free and are sponsored by Indigo Drag-onfly.

Meet in the park in front of Rails End Gallery at 6 p.m. For more information contact Lynda Shadbolt at 705-457-3121 and visit our Facebook Page: Dusk Dances Haliburton

Thursday July 17; 6 to 6:45 p.m.

Get up and Move with Chyna Schell - Hip Hop for Kids

This is a fun, high energy acro/hip hop class for children of all ages that will get them in the mood for a great evening of Dusk Dances!

Friday July 18; 6 to 6:45 p.m.

Ukrainian Dance FIT with Maryssa Danilko

Geared for all ages, you will enjoy an aerobics-style class with traditional Ukrainian music. It will blend Ukrainian choreography with heart-pumping, foot stomping, body shaking folk music!

Saturday July 19; 6 to 6:45 p.m.

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Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir

Healing arts

OVER THE PAST few months, the *Echo* and *Times* have been running profile pieces about the lives of seniors in Hyland Crest and Highland Wood.

I've had the truly privileged opportunity to sit down with these people who have lived such interesting lives and chat.

Always accommodating, these residents settled right in, telling stories about kids and families; wartime and immigration; and things they miss about their lives before they came to long-term care.

A few of them expressed sadness – that the change from more independent living to being more closely supervised and monitored has been tough.

Some talk about missing friends and family who have already passed away.

Addressing issues of depression and anxiety with seniors, Fay Wilkinson of the Creative Cocoon ran a seven-month program bringing expressive arts to residents called Visible Voices Through the Looking Glass.

Through words and paint, scissors and glue, a group of seniors who were struggling with depression had an opportunity to express those feelings through art.

The project was funded by a Bell Let's Talk grant and was a resounding success.

One woman who participated in the project said she has struggled, and continues to struggle, with depression.

Muriel Hodgson told the *Echo* last week that at 92-years-old, sometimes she feels alone. Her sister, who lived next door to her in Highland Wood died, and although she loves the staff and her friends who visit, she sometimes still feels lonely.

Even though Wilkinson's program is long over, Hodgson remembers it well and has one piece of art she created hanging over her bed.

It is two colourful silhouettes of her profile – one composed of pictures from magazines glued together and the other a pleasing mish-mash of bright watercolour paints.

It probably had symbolic meaning at the time, laughs Hodgson, but she doesn't remember now.

What she does remember is that the experience connected her to a time when she painted for her father.

Talking about the art she did with Wilkinson immediately has her looking to the other side of her room where a landscape painting hangs. She did that one for her dad.

She doesn't think it's very good, she says, but he certainly liked it.

Doing art is a moment of respite from negative thoughts, a chance to connect with deeper feelings and sometimes a way to go back in time.

Unfortunately, Wilkinson's project wasn't a permanent program.

Though the long-term care units in Minden and Haliburton do engage the residents in plenty of stimulating activities (one look at their activities calendar makes me exhausted), an ongoing program specifically designed to harness the healing power of art to help residents would be incredible.

In the meantime, Wilkinson has been working away on opening a community arts studio in Haliburton.

Being in its beginning stages, there is room for so many possibilities.

Could another seniors' program be launched?

Here's hoping.



Jenn Watt
Editor



Flags in the sun

by Darren Lum

Evenfall

MY FRIEND AND I are “bug widows.” This term was coined by another friend last weekend as we headed off to attend Mariposa Folk Festival in Orillia.

“Thom and the bug widows” were on the road in search of great music, organic food, inspiration and a day in a park by the lake. And we had an amazing time.

I could write a whole article on the Mariposa Folk Festival – Haliburton Winter Folk Camp – Haliburton County Folk Society connections.

Many of the Mariposa performers have been to Haliburton and recognized us and have many fond stories to tell of their time in Haliburton. On the same day we went to the festival, our husbands, were off in search of butterflies (and dragonflies the day before). They spend many days and weekends out in the field observing, counting and recording numbers of butterflies and dragonflies. They care about how many they see of each kind of species. And they, and many others in this county, are really good at what they do. They hold the Canadian record for the number of species recorded in a single day for butterflies. So we don't mind being bug widows. Our husbands love what they do and it makes a difference. And we have our own bug widow adventures.

We are especially excited about the upcoming Dusk Dances that will be happening in Head Lake Park on Thursday, July 17 to Sunday, July 20.

We love to volunteer for this event every year and are always excited to see the local piece. This year Heritage Ballet is presenting a piece called *Evenfall* and it is about the light from the moon that draws out all of the evening moths and the beautiful Luna Moth.

I just love how these pieces give our local kids a chance to dance in and connect to nature. Many people don't have the same kind of admiration for moths as they do for butterflies. And yet they are beautiful and the luna moth is a sight to behold.

They have these long trailing hindwings and they are the most beautiful lime green colour. They are found in Canada from the Maritime provinces to Saskatchewan and they make their homes among deciduous trees. Luna moths are active at night in spring and early summer. The bug widows are hoping their husbands

will go on a date with them and watch these beautiful young dancers express the enchanting and delicate beauty of the luna moth. Dance inspired by bugs - who won't love that!

Dusk Dances starts each evening with a free workshop by the Rails End Gallery from 6:00 – 6:45. The opening band starts at 7 and this year we have Phil McMahon and the Boggy Road Band. The dances start at 7:30 and our wonderful and funny host, Dan Watson, is returning. Admission is by donation. This is a wonderful family friendly event. Hope to see you there.



Lynda Shadbolt
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Muskie in the boat

LAST WEEK, I was fishing with a very good friend on our annual trip for smallmouth bass. We caught quite a few and lost a couple of beauties too but the highlight for me, at least, was an eight-pound muskie he hooked and landed.

Talk about entertaining.

As muskies go, it wasn't a big fish. But it was big enough.

There's nothing that will add excitement to a fishing trip like an angry muskie on the loose in a small tin boat.

Yes, we used a net. But as anyone who has ever caught a muskie can attest, a net is simply a tool that transfers the fish from the water, where it belongs, into the boat, where it clearly doesn't.

The net we had wasn't designed for muskie and so it quickly slipped out onto the floor of the boat.

You never think much about fishing footwear until you face an incident like this, by the way. But then you think about it a whole lot.

Like all muskies, this one was in a bad mood and looking for vengeance.

It started by knocking over tackle boxes, glaring menacingly at us both and by generally rearranging my friend's highly-organized gear. I believe it also gave us a fish version of the Barb Reid hello, as a middle ray on its fin seemed to protrude

momentarily.

I happened to be a safe distance away from all this at the prow of the boat. This allowed me to do what any angling buddy would do. I observed the proceedings and sat back to enjoy the frenzied jig of the casual muskie angler.

For those who have never witnessed it, this is a folksy little rural Canadian dance that starts with the angler jumping spryly onto the gunnels of the boat, balancing perilously before falling back into the craft.

Once there, he addresses his dance partner – in this case, the muskie.

The greeting is usually initiated with a curt, introductory phrase such as "Oh #@%\$!"

After this formality, the angler then does a neat little do-si-do and spends several frantic seconds – with the fish's help – trying to transfer the bait lodged in the fish's jaw to his thumb or other meaty part of his hand.

The next step is to stop the thrashing so that no permanent injury is inflicted upon the poor, disoriented creature.

I did that by grabbing my buddy's arm and repeatedly saying "Calm down. You need to calm down."

When that finally happened, he nervously picked up the fish, an act that prompted it to do a little thrashing of its own. Holding a thrashing muskie, by the way, is like trying to hold a working fire hose with your teeth.

Having said that, my friend managed to do it with minimal harm to the fish, although I'm not sure the same can be said of his underwear. Or mine.

It was at this point things get weird.

For my friend was clearly not comfortable holding a legendary biting machine – as few of us are. On the other hand, he wanted me to take a photo of him posing with his catch.

This unnatural urge is an over-riding instinct all true anglers possess. I'm pretty sure if he had somehow caught and landed a 30-foot great white shark, we would have done the same thing. And then I would have handed him the camera for my turn.

So I got the camera out and took a few photos.

They turned out well too – a series of shots that capture a flailing muskie and one photo where both angler and fish were bearing teeth to the camera.

In the end, we got a nice image and released the fish, without much more incident. And my friend was proud as punch of the photo and experience. And relieved to send the fish on its way.

As for me, I'm never going to wear sandals on a muskie lake again. My friend, I believe, is pricing bigger boats ...



Steve Galea

Loon Tales

letters to the editor

Olympic meet and greet

To the Editor,

Everyone watched the Olympics with great interest and pride and watching the Paralympics the athletes competing were amazing.

Blind skiers with a guide, some with five to seven per cent sight coming down the slope at nearly 100 miles an hour. Our cross-country skiers with a guide were wonderful.

The hockey team was another one. They were all amazing.

What came to mind as I watched the courage of these athletes: if we had that little sight, would we be at the top of a hill ready to go down it? Or if we were missing a leg, would we be playing hockey? It takes a special kind of person to fight through all the things they had to.

To bring even more coverage to the games, if both Olympic athletes from each of the games go to know one another, and TV coverage of that get-together, I think everyone would benefit from the coverage of those meetings and saw the support for each other.

If the Olympic panel would maybe consider this idea, I think it would be even more amazing.

B. Roberts

Happy birthday, Dysart

To the Editor,

In response to letters regarding this subject, allow me to point out a few facts from my book *Fragments of a Dream*, specifically from pages 45,76 and 119.

In 1864, 27 pioneers settled in Dysart Township.

In 1865, the Haliburton road, linking the Bobcaygeon Colonization Road with the settlement, reached the projected Village of Haliburton. On June 20, 1865, a petition from Dr. Peake and 50 others to establish the Township of Dysart as a separate municipality was rejected, because there were fewer than 50 residents on Dysart's assessment rolls.

On January 1867, six months before Confederation, the Municipality of Dysart et al was created.

We therefore celebrate, in 2014, 150 years of the settlement of Dysart and in 2017, 150 years of the Municipality and its Village.

Leopolda Dobrzensky

Thank you, turtle volunteers

To the Editor,

During the months of May and June, the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust had volunteers monitoring turtle activity at up to eight different sites on roads across the county. This was the first part of a comprehensive study on Turtle Road Mortality funded by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Species at Risk program.

The collective effort by 136 volunteers covered nearly 2,800 hours of observation, seven days a week throughout May and June. This incredible effort must make this one of the larger citizen science based research projects in recent history in Ontario, especially when considered within the context of intense effort over a very short period of time. While the committee is meeting to prepare for the next phase of this three year project, we want to pause to thank the volunteers involved to date. This group of extraordinary people came from all age groups

and all walks of life. They stepped up and committed to offer their time in all weather conditions, and throughout the height of spring bug season. An amazing level of commitment from an amazing community!

Our monitors have witnessed more wild life in two months than many Canadians will see in a lifetime. This project has informed Haliburton residents of the challenges that these species at risk face on our roads. It is no longer socially acceptable to drive over a turtle for sport or fun. More and more people are stopping to help turtles cross busy roadways, even those who have never handled a turtle in their lives. Everyone seems to have a turtle story to tell, either a rescue, a near miss, or sightings of turtles nesting, basking, hatching, or just passing through. The Land Trust would love to hear yours!

Larry O'Connor

Executive Director,

Haliburton Highlands Land Trust

A life well lived

To the Editor,

Re: Town Dock, July 2, 2014

I have known Lenny Salvatori for 75 years. We became friends at the old Haliburton Public School where we shared a double desk. As I recall, our teachers were Ms. Smith (Sept.-Dec.) and Ena Dart (my aunt).

There are few people like Lenny, who has given more to their community in such a variety of ways. In high school he drove a bus for fellow students

to get back and forth every day from Eagle Lake and Guilford. During the 1940s his contemporaries would go to the famous Golden Slipper Dance Hall, and afterwards to Albert and Wilda LaRue's restaurant. As usual, Lenny was waiting on tables because he was needed to help out there.

His life, so well lived, might be expressed best by King George VI, who once wrote, "The highest of distinctions is service to others."

Tom Hodgson

Haliburton Lake

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More letters to the Editor on page 8

A little rain'll do ya, but a lot?

Maybelle's



Fireside stories

Pretty crazy stuff, this climate change business, don'tcha know.

Why ol' Maybelle's been getting more exercise running in and out of my cottage between rain showers than anything else I've been doing this summer.

In fact, I could probably win the "Seniors Beat the Doppler Forecast Olympics," if there was one. And who knows? With the way the weather's been going, there just might be one

before we know it!

Yes, Lake WhaddyathinkI mean was hit, too. Our sweet little hamlet had holes and shmoles and leaks and over-flowing creeks. Boy! Did it ever keep our local road guys busy.

Some of you may know that my wee cottage sits at the top of a hill, happily preserved over time with love and care. But, after the torrential rains we've all seen, my driveway looked like the Hawk Lake Log Chute's cousin!

Woosh woosh wooooooosh!

Now, I shouldn't complain with the much more serious damage that weather has been causing across our dear Canada and the United States. But it does give one pause to reflect on these dramatic weather patterns that, unfortunately, seem to becoming the abnormal.

HOWEVER, there's always a silver lining to every story if you look hard enough, and here's ours.

A fair number of folks were stranded in their homes when roads fell away, and the townsfolk of Lake W (who always support each other like good fitting Spanks) grabbed cans of food from their cupboards and veggies from their gardens...and Beanpole Starkman, all decked out in his ol' Tiger Moth bi-plane, flew over the village lowering food

to each of them - our very own pot-bellied Superman, don'tcha know.

Oh, it was a beautiful thing.

Vilma Yucch and her sweetheart, Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom (an avid closet inventor) were busy helping folks, too. McBottom finally had the perfect opportunity to put his brand new McBottom Gulp Machine to good use. And Vilma arranged for it to happen.

Why, if they weren't driving around Lake W in his police cruiser with that big ol' machine attached to the back on a trailer, going from place to flooded place having it gulp up water like nobody's business. It sure made my eyes twirl seeing it turn all that water into vapor in a nano second! It also made my straight hair go all curly...without the fuss and muss of a permanent, don'tcha know!

As for Twindle Mumbly, why he became a poet. That's right. The rain in Spain stayed mainly in our lanes and boy was he ever inspired to write about it. Especially, when he got stuck in his house for two days. You see, Twindle's not one to be inactive, don'tcha know. And, after rearranging the furniture twice, caulking the tub and shower, and rewiring his bedroom lamps... he picked up a pen and paper and started writing. Here's my favourite: *Ode to Wet Socks*, by Twindle Humphrey Mumbly:

Oh my socks are wet.
Wet wet wet wet wet
And my toes are shrinking like prunes
Sing about sunshine all you want
Go ahead and blow up balloons
Clap your hands and dance a jig
Brush your teeth 'til dawn
My song is about my wet wet socks
Stretching from short to long
The end.

Why, if all our friends, including Sybil Beaucannon Hughes, didn't come together to toast Twindle's entry into self-expression with homemade camomille tea, lady fingers and Kawartha Dairy Coulda Shoulda Died from it

Chocolate ice cream ...uh, sorry ... Death by Chocolate ice cream...my fav!

The dark navy blue beret he wore at a jaunty angle (a first in the Mumbly clan), added a kind of rakish look to Twindle's small peanut-size face. But, it was the sparkle in his eyes that made us happy for him.

As for ol' Maybelle, I have to say, I feel very blessed indeed. Why Crayley Yukon and his brother Fred fixed my wooshing driveway as soon as they possibly could. They drove their big old flatbed truck with a tractor sitting on it over to the bottom of my driveway, dropped it off, and then came back with tons of stone, rock and sand. In just a few hours, the three-and-a-half foot by four foot ruts were full like satisfied bellies after a big turkey dinner, don'tcha know.

Seems we all hold a place deep inside us that springs into action when it's needed. Like helping our family, neighbours, and friends and friends of friends when the unexpected happens. Sometimes we don't think we have what it takes to do any good in this world, but that's just because we hear and read about the big news items that are happening globally and think: How can little ol' me possibly help?

Well, it's the small things that make a heart sing. From a smile to hands-on helping out in any way we can...right in our own village, hamlet or city. And if we can't physically do that...sometimes an uplifting phone call to a friend or neighbour can be more effective than penicillin.

As I sit here writing this, looking up every so often at the lush green foliage and Lake WhaddyathinkI mean just outside my window, I'm reminded of a simple truth I've spouted before and too often forget: Beyond the rain clouds, the sun is always shining. And if you can't see it... then you just shine in its place.

Be well, dear readers. Be well.

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. Read Maybelle's Cure for What Ails You, an e-book available at amazon.ca.



Maude Barlow plunges into water talk in Minden

Following her talk in the Minden Hills Community Centre on Friday, July 11, Maude Barlow met with audience members, happily chatting with them and signing copies of her book, *Blue Future*. An author and activist, Barlow was instrumental in having water declared a human right by the United Nations in 2010. Over the years, she has authored several books, been given honorary doctorates and met with various leaders on the world stage.

In her talk, Barlow raised the alarm about the ever-shrinking pool of usable water available in the world. Human activities have polluted and depleted fresh water around the world, she said. The talk was put on by Environment Haliburton.

Zach Cox Staff

Inviting youth to the environmental battle

To the Editor,

I recently attended a talk by Maude Barlow in Minden. The room was filled to capacity. No surprise: Maude is a captivating speaker and seeker of environmental justice for both humans and the planet. But something was missing. I looked around the room and scanned the attendees. No offence but all white-grey-haired listeners. The missing link....the youth of our nation. We definitely need to encourage our youth to get involved. Cottage associations and local associations that do battle for the environment seem to be dominated by the older generation: we the ones who perhaps caused the occurring damage. Our youth should be invited and encouraged to participate. The environment — water, air, land — is their future. If all generations contribute in some small way, we will accomplish a great new force of environmental awareness. We must gently, and sometimes not so gently, push the education of private citizens and fight mass governmental and industrial disregard of the environment. Only then we will secure the future of the land, water and air for all generations to come. Who better to fight for that goal than the future generation! Thank you for listening. Youth, do you hear me?

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Wheelie good time



Darren Lum Staff

Above, far right, bottom and below, Skills Camps' participants learn the basics of mountain biking during a three-day camp this past Thursday at Sir Sam's Ski and Bike resort in Eagle Lake.

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The Sir Sam's Ski and Bike resort is fostering a love for mountain biking with its Skills Camps this summer.

The three-day camp offered (from 10 to 3 p.m.) at the Eagle Lake property is for boys and girls from beginner to intermediate. It focuses on teaching the basic set of skills for safe navigation of mountain bike trails to instill confidence and encourage the enjoyment of the sport. Participants learned how to descend, ascend and read the trails. Bike rentals are available, but participants must bring a helmet and waterbottle/hydration pack. The next three-day Skills Camp is from July 23 to 25. For more information see www.sirsams.com or call 705-745-2298.





The Roots Wake Series brought some of the best wakeboarders in Ontario to Haliburton's Head Lake on July 12 for the Sharpley Source for Sports Provincial Championships. Competitors from young to not-as-young and in a variety of categories competed on a course on Head Lake.

Photos by Chad Ingram

Locals shine at Sharpley Source for Sport Provincial Championships

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

The sun wasn't the only thing shining at the Sharpley Source for Sports Provincial Championships on Head Lake on Saturday, July 12.

With a win, two second place finishes and a fifth place, the local wakeboarders showcased their skills to hundreds who lined the shores of Head Lake.

Youngster Jacob Bishop captured second place in the Rookie Wakeboard (boat) category, which he attributed to practice and nerves, including motivation from family, friends and the other competitors.

"The weekend was great. I had lots of fun with family and friends," the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School student wrote in an email.

Bishop said his cable run didn't go very well, falling twice attempting a simple trick.

The second place finish though is giving Bishop "confidence and drive for the rest of the season."

The wakeboarding event drew 90 riders and is the second of four stops on The Roots Wake Series.

Local veteran and perennial favourite Gavin Hicks also captured second, but was in the top category of Open Wakeboard (boat).

Hicks said his day went well despite finishing fifth out of six qualifiers for the final.

The combination of boat waves and wind proved difficult in qualifying, he wrote in a text message.

By the time finals started, the conditions were calm and through adjustments he was able to pull out the podium finish, he said.

Addison Farr led all locals, winning the Open Wake Skate event while Kinmount cottager Andy Milovanovic finished fifth in the Open Wakeboard event.

The next event for the series is the Algonquin Outfitters Open on Saturday, July 26 in Bala.

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Welcome Susanna Foo to the Highlands

Zach Cox
Staff reporter

Wednesday, July 9 was a big day for the Haliburton Highlands Paddlers, who got a chance to paddle their very own dragon boat. The Paddlers, in conjunction with the Haliburton County Community Co-operative, purchased a refurbished dragon boat, the Susanna Foo, from the Great White North dragon boating organization of Toronto. While the Paddlers have dragon boated before, having rented a boat and coach last year, owning their own dragon boat is an exciting new step for the organization.

The red boat gleamed in the sunlight at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, as the Haliburton Highlands Paddlers gathered at the Patient News dock to give the Susanna Foo a spin.

"She's a beautiful boat," says paddler Jane Macnab, "She's an older style, solid wood. Newer boats are made of fiberglass." Macnab explained that the boat had been used previously in the United States.

"Who here is a canoeist? Forget everything you know," says the coach Janine Papadopoulos, to the gathered club members. Before loading up the boat she walked the paddlers through the process of choosing a paddle, paddling technique and the commands that will be called.

Papadopoulos listed seven paddling commands and their meanings: "sit up" is a call for attention and an indication to get into position, "paddles up" has the paddlers holding their paddles out over the water in preparation to get going, "take it away" starts the paddling, "let it run" or "let it ride" had the paddlers take their paddles out of water to let the boat coast, "hold the boat" has paddles held in the water to slow movement, calling for certain positions to "draw" gets the boat turning and "back it down" is an order to paddle backwards.

For the next while the Paddlers will be working on their technique and then extending the distances of their trips. Currently, the group plans to have meet four times a week, 7 to 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays so people can select a time that works best for them.



Above, The Haliburton Highlands Paddlers head off on Grass Lake for their maiden voyage in the Susanna Foo, their recently acquired dragon boat, on Wednesday, July 9. The boat was a joint purchase with the paddlers and the Haliburton County Community Co-operative.

Right, members of the Haliburton Highlands Paddlers celebrate the arrival of the recently purchased dragon boat, the Susanna Foo. The boat can hold 20 paddlers, an oarsman and a drummer.

For those interested in learning more about the Haliburton Highlands Paddlers or those who are interested in being a member can contact Jane Boyd at 705-286-4404 or jane.boyd@sympatico.ca

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A journey from snow angels to goulash

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Just because it's summer doesn't mean hockey takes a break.

Sydney Cameron is leaving the summer of the Highlands behind for the hockey arenas of Europe when she plays for the East Coast Selects team to represent North America at the World Selects Invitational hockey tournament from July 30 to Aug. 3 in Budapest, Hungary.

The 16-year-old Haliburton Highlands Secondary School student, who plays hockey for the Peterborough midget AA Ice Kats, is anxious to take a plane ride for a first-ever overseas trip to play her first international hockey game.

"I expect to have an amazing time playing with all these great players from the U.S. and Canada and to make new friends, also to play against international teams such as Russia and Sweden. I hope this experience will help me become a better hockey player," Cameron wrote in an email.

The tournament includes teams from Sweden, Slovakia and Russia.

When she started to play hockey it started like most four-year-olds.

"My parents put me in hockey when I was four. I played in the [Haliburton] County hockey league on the Sharks. I just remember laying on the ice a lot in the beginning making snow angels," she said.

Although the East Coast team holds tryouts for this tour-

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I just remember laying on the ice a lot in the beginning making snow angels.

— Sydney Cameron

nament, she wasn't aware of them and had an opportunity because the coaching staff knew her.

They selected Cameron after her strong play contributed to a silver medal at the Ponytail Hockey Challenge in June in Toronto. Injuries to the team, she said, provided her the opportunity for the selection to that tournament.

For the past two seasons she has played defence after starting at forward.

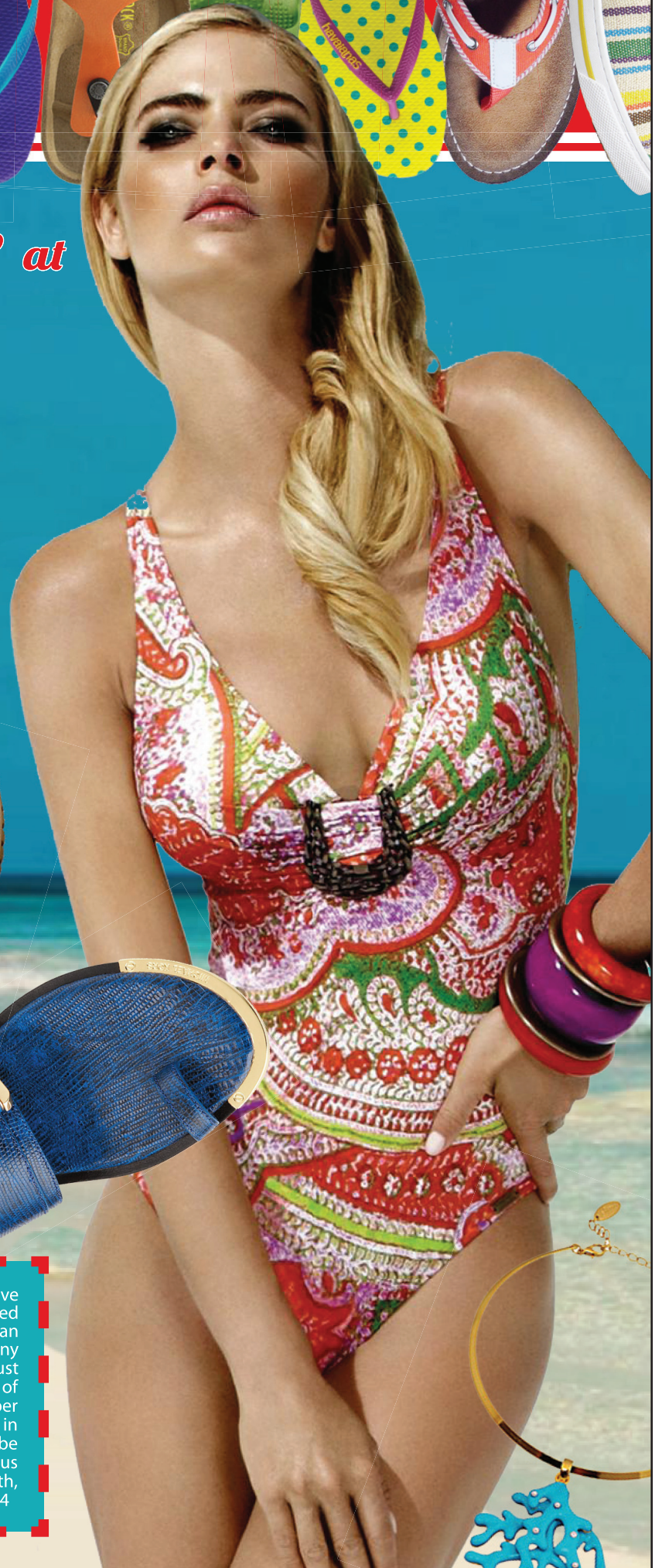
She said her type of game was a factor in her selection.

"I play an aggressive offensive style of defence, I like to pinch in and move the puck a lot. I feel this is why they chose me to go play with them in this tournament," she said.



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Illustrating the healing power of art

Jenn Watt
Editor

There are times when Muriel Hodgson finds it difficult to stay positive.

In the evenings, when she is alone in her bed in Highland Wood long-term care home in Haliburton, the 92-year-old sometimes finds herself feeling depressed.

"The thing is, I don't have people to talk to who would understand me, you know what I mean?" says Hodgson.

"I'm not one to express myself."

A couple of years ago, Hodgson was included in a special project for seniors dealing with sadness and depression called Visible Voices Through the Looking Glass.

Expressive arts facilitator Fay Wilkinson ran the program over the course of seven months using several types of art to help alleviate participants' feelings of sadness.

Words, music, paint and other tools were used to get people talking about inner feelings and boosting self-confidence and self-esteem.

"I hesitate to use the word healing," says Wilkinson.

"I'm not curing anybody, but I guess my hope is that in some way it is a little piece of the puzzle to make someone feel a whole person and not an illness or their pain or whatever it is they're coping with right now."

When Hodgson was younger, she used to paint as a hobby. In her bedroom a fall landscape of oranges and yellows hangs on the wall. She had painted it for her father.

"He thought it was good. Really, it isn't all that good," she smirks.

Visible Voices brought back some of that pleasure as Hodgson experimented with



Fay Wilkinson, owner of the Creative Cocoon, sees the arts as complementary to physical fitness in creating overall well being. Wilkinson moved to Haliburton County 12 years ago, taking a creative expression course. She has made that interest into a lifestyle and career and now teaches the course at Fleming College in Haliburton. Jenn Watt Staff

art, eventually creating a mixed media piece that now hangs over her bed.

It is two silhouettes of her profile, one full of colour, painted in watercolours, and the other a collection of magazine clippings.

It might have meant something at the time, Hodgson says, but she can't remember it now.

In the present moment, it is just art – something she takes pride in.

"You know, I kind of like doing it," she says.

Not all art needs to have meaning, Wilkin-



Two years later, Muriel Hodgson still has her artwork from the Visible Voices project in her room at Highland Wood. Hodgson filled silhouette shapes of her profile with magazine clippings and colours.

son says. Sometimes it is the act of making art that improves mood.

"I saw that distraction is a part of this, when they're so in pain or troubled or sad. If in that hour, or hour and a half, we can do something that takes them from that and gives them some relief, that has to mean something," she says.

Wilkinson has been involved in expressive arts for the last 12 years.

She came upon the practice when her own life events forced her to make a change and she moved to the Highlands from Orangeville.

"I was packing everything up and a flyer I had collected several years before fell out about expressive arts. ... I said, all right then, I'll do that."

She enrolled in the course and followed that path to the point where she became a teacher of expressive arts and made it her career.

"Expressive arts is a field of practice. It's not art lessons. It's not crafts," she says.

"Usually it's some form of self-discovery. I'm very clear that I don't have the answers – they have the answers. My job is to provide a space where they can find them; it's primarily for self-exploration, self-discovery."

Studies done in recent years back up the assertion that art can lead to better mental health.

In 2005, a study commissioned by the government of the United Kingdom found "statistically significant improvements on all three measures [of better mental health] after six months art participation." Those measures included empowerment, general well being and social inclusion.

The study looked at "62 participants at 20 arts and mental health projects," according to *Mental Health Today*.

The participants were questioned before their projects and six months after.

"Arts participation did improve participants' levels of empowerment and ... the improvements identified were not simply due to the passage of time or some other influence," the article, authored by the study's researchers, reads.

A literature review published in the *American Journal of Public Health* in 2010 detailed a multitude of examples of mental health being positively affected by arts practices, but noted the extent of benefit isn't yet known because not enough research has been done.

Acton, Ont.-based writer Nora Zylstra-Savage also employs arts in activities that free the mind and foster creativity.

She runs a memoir-writing business, Storylines, in her hometown and also comes to Haliburton School of the Arts to teach creative writing classes through the summer.

Like Wilkinson, Zylstra-Savage isn't offering a formal clinical program, rather her work often benefits participants through its connection to the inner self.

"It is therapeutic, empowering, healing," she says, "however, I also realize that I'm not a therapist."

One of her classes this summer is about writing memoirs, while another is about taking a real story and creating a fiction around it.

The act of writing one's story and sharing it in a group can help participants work through previously unexplored parts of their history.

Zylstra-Savage has also done intergenerational projects with high school students and seniors.

It started with a specific program for people with Alzheimer's disease where students would visit and write the stories of the people who were struggling with memory problems.

Zylstra-Savage took a course on dementia and created a program that had seniors talk about the time they remembered the best – their lives up to age 20. This was the same timeframe the students were familiar with in their own lives, creating an instant connection.

It was the beginning of her Bridging the Gap intergenerational programs, which have since expanded.

For the seniors being interviewed, the time with the students was one where they weren't being told they were wrong.

"I have to tell [the students] in that senior's everyday world, they're always getting corrected ... everyone is correcting them," says Zylstra-Savage.

But when they tell their own stories from their childhood, they are the expert and in control of their story.

There is further expressive arts programming on the horizon for Haliburton.

Wilkinson is in the process of setting up the Visible Voices Open Arts Studio in space donated by John Beachli.

The space will be equipped with art supplies with an expressive arts facilitator. Additionally, Wilkinson envisions a practicum location for new expressive arts facilitators and a research hub.

The centre is in the works, but she believes it will be open by the end of the year.

Despite the good work being done around mental health and the arts, Wilkinson says there are still considerable challenges to be overcome both with mental health and with participating in the arts.

"It's fine [socially acceptable] to have something physically wrong with you. It's absolutely not fine to have a mental issue. Still. Here we are in 2014," says Wilkinson.

Likewise, most people don't think of themselves as imaginative or artistic, which can dampen their drive to create.

"Art frightens people away," she says.

"In Bali there is no word for artist. To be human it comes with the package."

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A puppet a day keeps kids at play

Zach Cox
Staff reporter

“My name is Porky, I’m a pig that flies,” was a song that echoed through the halls of the J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School on Friday, July 11. If you happened to be in the right place at the right time, you might have been lucky enough to see a large pig, flapping and swaggering its way along, a large gold chain hanging about its neck. Such a scenario could have only one explanation: the Fleming College Haliburton School of the Arts.

Indeed, it was the three students in the HSTA Kids’ Puppet-a-Day class who had created Porky, under the direction of Shelley King.

“They didn’t always agree on colour or little design choices, but they were in agreement that what they wanted to create was a flying, rapping pig,” said King.

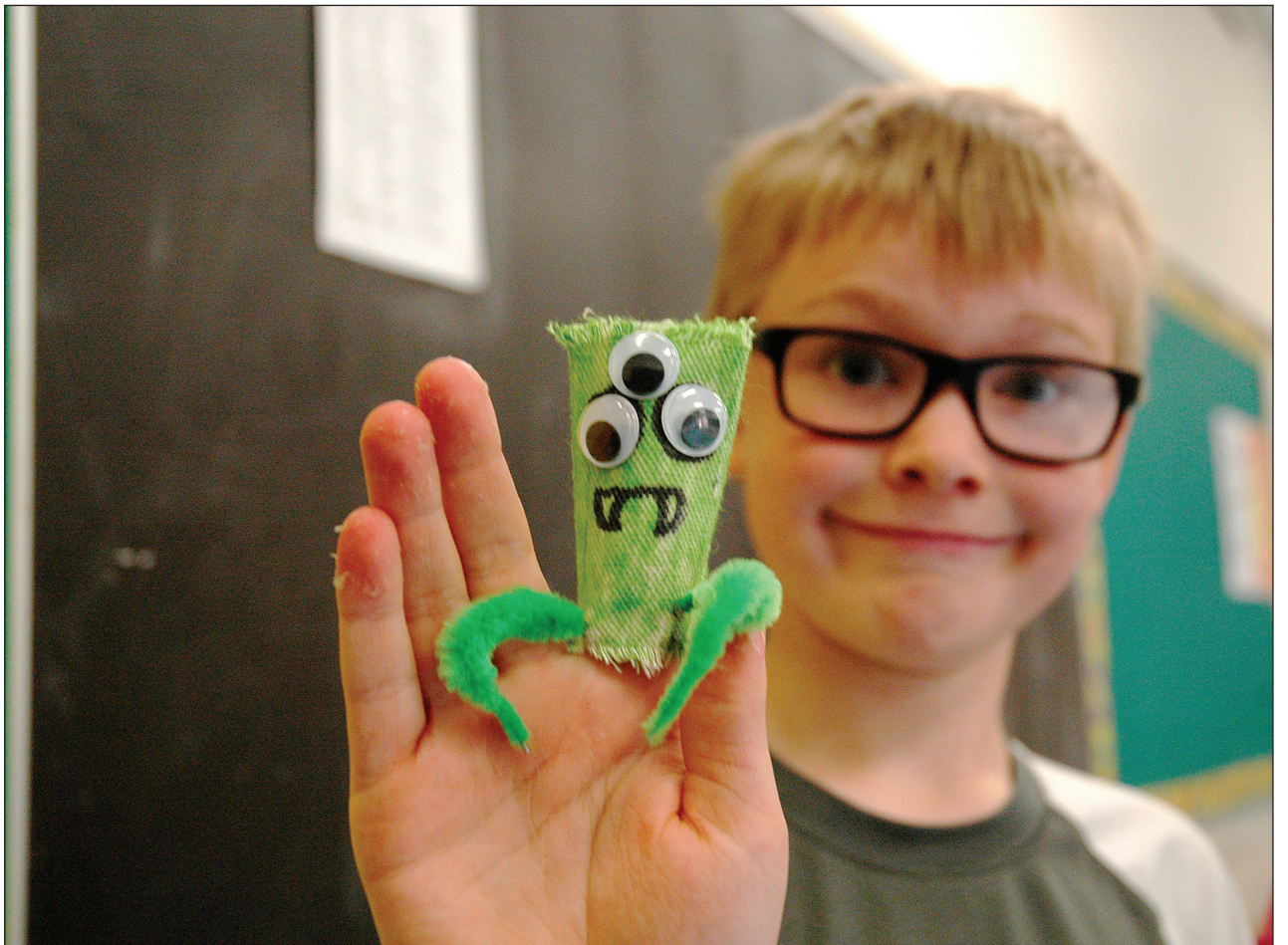
Porky was one of many puppets that the students created throughout the weeklong class that ran from July 7 to 11, but was by far the largest, requiring Emma Hyland, Leif Halton and Haven Marks to all take part in operating it.

After practising the operation of Porky and rehearsing his rap song, he was toured around the school and shown to the other classes.

On Monday, King helped the three students made sock puppets, Tuesday was finger puppets, Wednesday featured rod puppets, both glove and stick puppets were created on Thursday and Friday was for shadow puppets and the giant pig-shaped puppet.

Leif and Haven agreed that their favourite puppets were the ones fashioned out of socks, with Leif’s liking Elvis and knocking stuff down, and Haven’s working similar to Kermit the Frog. Emma said her favourite puppets were the “rod, sock, shadow and of course the giant pig.”

The Kids’ Puppets-a-Day class is just one of many summer courses offered by the Fleming College Haliburton School of the Arts. To learn more about the wide variety of courses offered for a wide variety of ages contact 705-457-1680 or visit the HSTA website at flamingcollege.ca/school/haliburton-school-of-the-arts and view the course calendar. Upcoming kids courses this summer include Kids’ Seussierific, Kids’ Magical Art, Youth Archery and Fencing and Youth/Teen Animation, among others.



Zach Cox Staff


Haven Marks shows off his tentacled finger puppet that he made during the Haliburton School of the Arts Kids’ Puppet-a-Day class that ran from July 7 to 11.



Zach Cox Staff

A rapping, flying pig rapped and flew through the halls of J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School on Friday, July 11. In reality, the pig was a three-person puppet controlled by Emma Hyland, Haven Marks and Leif Halton. The puppet was designed and created as part of the weeklong Kids’ Puppet-a-Day class that ran from July 7 to 11. The class is one of many summer courses offered by the Haliburton School of the Arts.

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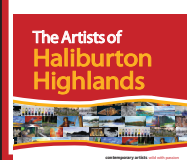
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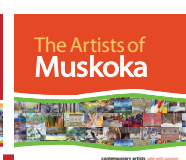
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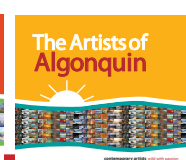
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Laughs at The Last Resort

Above, actor Dave Hawley playing the Inspector, is questioning Wayne Cooper, as Freda Heitz, about a murder that is suspected to be her fault, during rehearsal of *The Last Resort* at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. *The Last Resort* is a musical based in a rural resort in Saskatchewan in present day. It's a story filled with murder, tension and comedy and can be seen on Monday, July 14 through till Friday the 18th, and to play again the following Wednesday to Friday. You can get tickets by calling the box office at 705-457-9933 or get them at www.highlandsummerfestival.on.ca.

Top right, actor Adam Miller, left, playing Nick Galeazzo got a little more wet than he was intending to while out on a fishing trip with David Mills, playing Sid Barzini.

Right, Chris Chumbley playing Trent Balfour sings romantic poetry to Angela Miller played by Myrna McBrien.

Bottom right, actresses Myrna McBrien and Sam Gaetz playing Angela Miller and Julia Youngstead, fight for the spotlight, using song and dance, and for the affection of Adam Miller playing Nick Galeazzo.



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The business truly is a labour of love.

"It started as a way to pay for school," says Chris. "Then when I finished university, it occurred to me that I like working with dogs more than children, so I started this business."

He offers two unique things. First, he's open from noon to 8 pm on Mondays to accommodate working people. (From Tuesday to Saturday, he's open from 9 am to 5 pm.)

Second, he is the only groomer in the area to offer hand stripping on dogs. Essentially, this is plucking out the dead outercoat of wire haired breeds and is one of the many show grooming techniques he offers.

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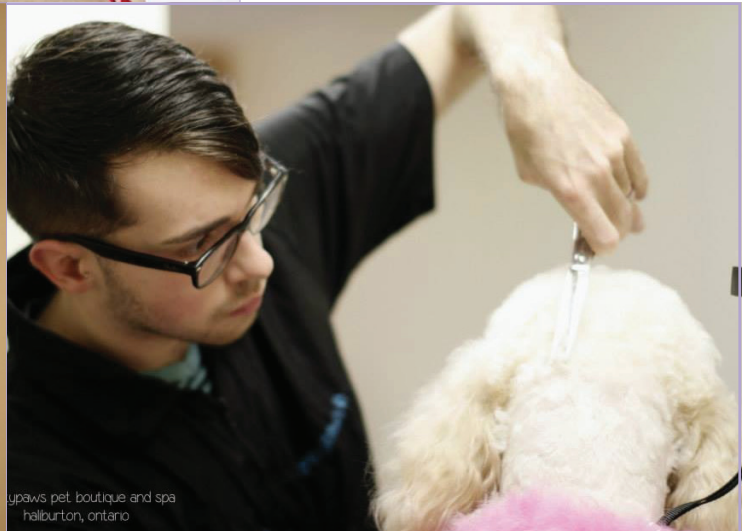
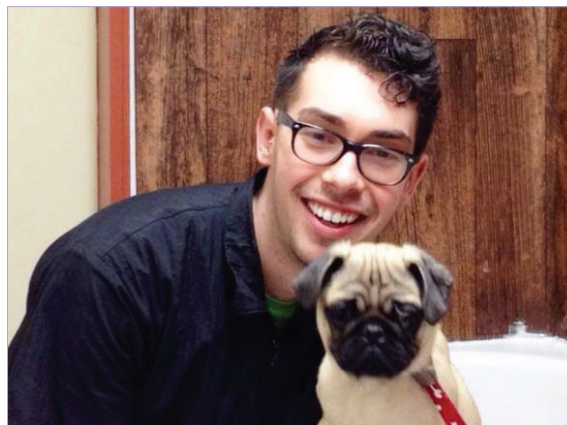
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Above, a collection of work dries in the sun after it was produced by six participants of the Art Attack session.

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Left, Children work together on a large piece that combines Kool Aid paint and wax drawings during an Art Attack offering at the Rails End Gallery last Friday in Haliburton. The art session series for children six to 12 is on from Tuesday to Friday every week from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. until Aug. 29. See railsendgallery.com for more information and for advance registration phone 705-457-2330. The cost is \$5 plus HST for each participant. Photos by Darren Lum



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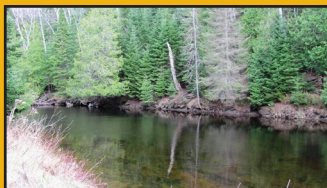
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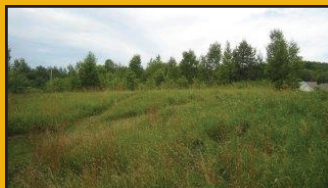
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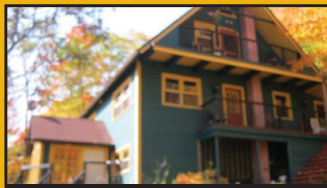
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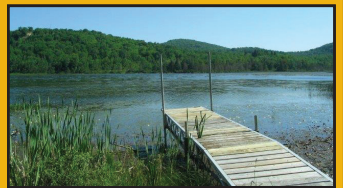
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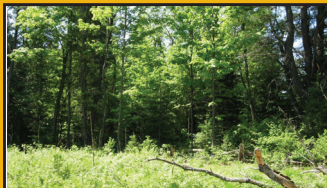
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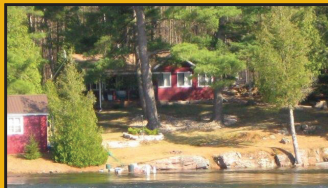
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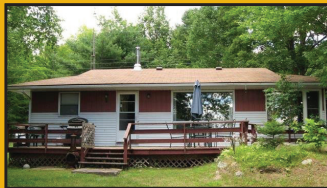
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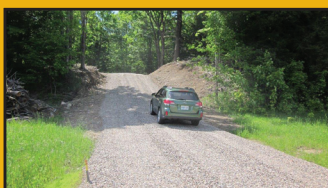
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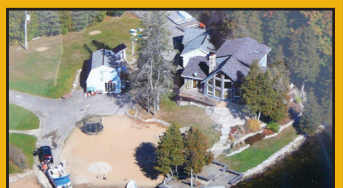
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Town Dock

County in the years when life was risky, and bad luck came knocking on everybody's door sooner or later.

Barbara Elaine Brintnell entered the world backwards on Aug. 20, 1937 in a breech delivery attended by Dr. Crow of Minden.

"Things were quite primitive in Minden at that time," Barb's father, Percy Brintnell, wrote in his memoirs. "The board sidewalks were in a bad state; the boards were either rotten or loose, and no repairs were ever made."

Percy was a baker. In 1938, he bought the Minden Hotel for a good price. It had been a successful "beverage room" until Anson Township was declared dry. That meant that all the drinkers went across the street to the Dominion Hotel in Minden Township. The old hotel made a fine bakery, and the rooms upstairs with the elegant balcony became spacious living quarters for the family.

It took a lot of wood at \$2.50 a cord to keep the big ovens going. On summer weekends, at the height of tourist season, the Brintnells baked 3,000 loaves, selling them at eight cents a loaf, and making deliveries to all the lodges and resorts.

Barb Hodgson is resilient. She has lived through natural disasters and personal tragedies and managed not only to survive, but to bounce back and keep going with enthusiasm. Her stories paint a picture of Haliburton

Barbara was just four years old when a fire started in the bakery, completely destroying the old hotel along with most of the buildings on the east side of the main street. At 3 a.m. on May 15, 1942, when the fire broke out, Barbara was wrapped in a blanket and taken over to Dr. Agnes Jamieson's house. Barbara's mother, Ina, started tossing the family's belongings over the balcony to the street below, ignoring pleas to vacate the burning building. Finally, when the staircase collapsed, Ina was rescued with a ladder. Meanwhile, as the fire threatened Dr. Jamieson's place, Barbara was given shelter at the home of the Ranson sisters (who owned and operated the Rockcliffe Tea House).

There was no fire department in Minden at the time, and a bucket brigade was unable to dampen the blaze. Lands and Forests sent a pumper truck, and another pumper

arrived from the Matabanick Inn, but by 7 a.m. when the Lindsay fire department arrived, it was too late. Downtown Minden was in ashes. The Brintnells had a lot to be thankful for, however, as no lives were lost.

The two delivery trucks, already loaded with fresh bread, made their deliveries as usual on the day of the fire. Temporary arrangements were made so that the bread could be baked in Woodville. With hard work and ingenuity, the bakery was rebuilt in record time.

"On July 12, we turned out our first batch of bread in the new shop," Percy writes. "Believe it or not, we didn't miss one delivery, nor leave one customer without enough bread during the whole time since the fire."

The fire happened just before celebrations for the May long weekend were getting underway. When the blaze broke out,

old student named Barbara Brintnell. They started seeing each other and Barbara agreed to marry her teacher as soon as school got out for the summer. Doug, who worked at his father's lumberyard on Haliburton Lake in the summer, did not want to drive all the way to Minden to visit her. The engagement was the talk of the town, but there was no interference by school officials. In fact, Barbara attended the staff party at the end of June as Doug's fiancée. Percy Brintnell approved of the match and signed the license for his under-age daughter to marry. Barbara laughs when she remembers that her late husband would tell how he spent his career trying to keep young people in school, but he convinced one student that she didn't need Grade 13.

Even though she was young, Barbara proved to be a good partner for Doug, embracing the traditions of the pioneering Hodgson family. Barbara and Douglas Hodgson had four children, Katherine, John (who died of leukemia in 1970 at 12 years of age), Chris and Andrew. The couple raised their children in the farmhouse on Lake Kashagawigamog that had belonged to Doug's ancestors, the Moons.

Douglas had a successful career in education as a high school principal and then served as the director of education for the Haliburton County School Board. The J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School was named in his honour.

Four children kept Barbara busy, but it was young Chris who kept her hopping. He was a runner, she says. Whether it was the Rotary Carnival in town, or the Canadian National Exhibition, she'd turn her back for one second and he'd be gone. It was a good thing when he got into hockey, Barb remembers. But she admits she was one of the more excitable hockey moms. After she threw a rulebook at a referee, coach Ab LaRue gave her the job of tracking the plays to keep her focused. Barb is still a huge hockey fan, following grandson Cody's NHL career with interest.

Douglas and Barbara enjoyed some interesting trips, but their knack for landing in the middle of disasters made it hard for them to convince friends to travel with them. They were too close for comfort when the MGM Grand was destroyed in a fire in Las Vegas in 1980. Staying at a nearby hotel, they woke up to the sound of fire engines and the smell of smoke. The death toll was 83.

A number of near-misses followed which made the Hodgsons feel they may be jinxed, but Lenny and Betty Salvatori weren't worried. They invited Doug and Barb to accompany them on a trip out west in the fall of 1989. When they stopped at a Motel 6 near San Francisco on Oct. 17, their vacation got an unexpected shake-up. They were smack in the middle of an earthquake of widespread destruction.

After Doug's death in 1997, Barbara married Bart Medd, from Pontypool. She is still good at surviving. She endured breast cancer in 2013. Now that she is the picture of health once again, she is enjoying the summer at the sandy point on Haliburton Lake where her father-in-law, Clayton Hodgson, built the family cottage back in 1942.

The Hodgson family, many of whom have their own cottages nearby, is a tight-knit group. Her son, Andrew, who lives year-round in Haliburton, is familiar to many in town through his real estate business and community volunteerism. Barbara enjoys regular visits from all her children and grandchildren. She marvels at their accomplishments. They have been successful politicians, athletes, youth workers, educators and entrepreneurs. But, although the Hodgsons have left their mark on the world stage, their hearts remain in the Haliburton Highlands. They all feel at home surrounded by family pictures and treasured keepsakes on the cottage porch.



Percy and Barbara after the fire.



Little Barbara after the fire. The photo appeared in newspapers province-wide.

Sylvia Howard removed the display of fireworks from her Drug Store window.

A year after the fire, Minden was visited with another disaster when the Gull River flooded. Barbara's dad, Percy remembered seeing the bridge from the golf course come floating downstream. A few years later, the town had to rally together once again when the new arena collapsed under heavy snow.

If there was one thing that these incidents taught Barbara, it was the importance of community. Minden residents have always pulled together during hardships.

As a high school student, Barbara got to attend a brand new high school in Haliburton. Her homeroom teacher in Grade 12 was Mr. Hodgson. At 27, he had a bit of a dilemma. He had a crush on a 17-year-

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Yard sale hooks dollars for HHOA

There were all kinds of odds and ends up for grabs at the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association's third annual community yard sale at the hatchery on July 12. The sale took place during Saturday and Sunday. **Chad Ingram Staff**

Barbecue benefits Food for Kids

Steve Dunec, owner of Leftovers restaurant and weiner wagon, right, hands Food for Kids co-ordinator Aaron Walker a cheque for \$210 gathered during his charity barbecue on Matt Duchene Day July 6. Walker thanked Dunec for his donation as well as various lake associations that have been giving to the program, which feeds children at school across the county. The program is looking for volunteers this September at Stuart Baker Elementary School and Archie Stouffer Elementary School. Contact Walker for more information at awalkerfood4kids@gmail.com or 705-455-2358. **Jenn Watt Staff**

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Description of Lands:

Roll No. 46 24 011 000 60200 0000; 1011 Penny Lane Rd, Haliburton; PIN 39173-0131(LT); Lot 7 Plan 394; Dysart et al; File No. 13-03
Minimum Tender Amount: \$25,167.39

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Left, and right, heavy rain didn't dissuade 13-year-old Jakob Quilatan of Scarborough from fishing on the Head Lake dock, as a newly bought rain coat kept him dry on Tuesday, July 8. Jakob was with his father and his sisters, who are new cottagers to the area. Photos by Darren Lum





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Zach Cox
Staff reporter

Wednesday, July 30 will find Youth Unlimited hosting their Family Fun-A-Thon in Head Lake Park. Registration begins at 9:45 a.m. with the event running from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine. Registration is required and the cost for individual participants \$25, while a family can register for \$100. The participants can simply pay the fees or they can collect pledges from friends and family members to cover their registration cost. The fundraising event is in support of the Youth Unlimited organization and its programs.

The Fun-A-Thon consists of four events with the participants first having to do some stand-up paddleboarding, then a two kilometre bike ride from Head Lake Park to the Haliburton school area and back, followed by a one kilometre walk or run through Head Lake Park and then finishing with a round of the park's disc golf course.

Equipment and instruction will be provided by SUPnorth for the paddle-

boarding component, but participants will need to bring their own bikes to the event.

The Family Fun-A-Thon will conclude with a barbecue and awards ceremony, with a variety of individual and family prizes.

Youth Unlimited is a registered non-profit, non-denominational, international, Christian youth organization and Youth Unlimited Kawartha has been serving the area for 36 years. Currently, the Kawartha branch of the organization operates in the Haliburton Highlands, Lakefield, Lindsay, North Kawartha and Peterborough.

The programs offered by Youth Unlimited in the Haliburton area include Haven Haliburton, Haven Minden and The Bridge After School activity program.

Contact Dana McMahon at dana@youthunlimitedkaw.com or 705-854-1043 to register for the Family Fun-A-Thon or for more information. Additional information, along with pledge, registration and permission forms for the Fun-A-Thon can be found online at youthunlimitedkaw.com/family-fun-a-thon.

Angelica Blenich Staff

Children of all ages were learning stand up paddleboarding during Youth Unlimited's summer camp, held behind RPM on County Road 21 in Haliburton on July 9. The three-day camp offers children and youth the chance to try activities such as water skiing, kayaking paddleboarding and much more. The camp is kept affordable by many generous sponsors, including RPM, Todd's Independent, Rotary Club of Haliburton, SUP North and AO Boatworks. Youth Unlimited is offering an art camp in August. For more information visit www.youthunlimitedkaw.com/haliburton-highlands.



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Alicia Villamere, left, and Jewel Sisson enjoy some craft time during Youth Unlimited's summer camp.



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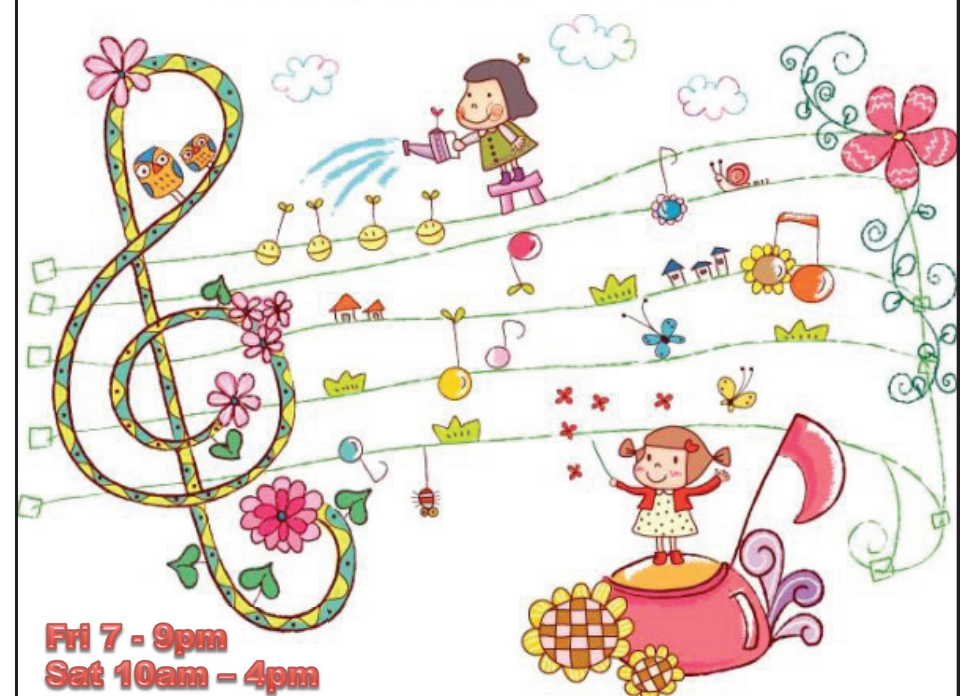
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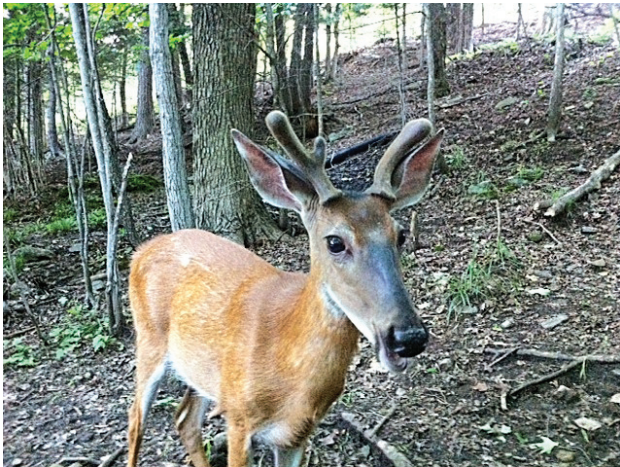
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Stacey O'Keeffe took this photo of a garter snake on her Kennisis Lake property on July 9.



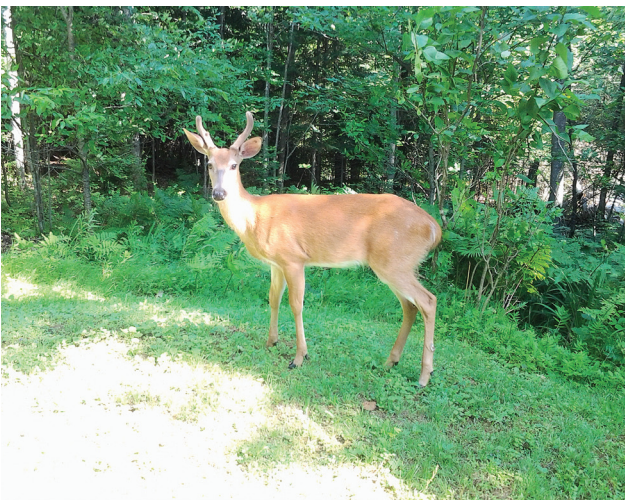
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Dave Allen submitted this photo of "Bucky Jr." in his yard in Haliburton.

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Workshops help keep residents steady

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Anybody can fall.

Whether you're young or old, ill, healthy or just clumsy, falling does not discriminate among its victims.

The Falls Prevention Network has teamed up with Closing The Gap Healthcare Group to offer free exercise classes and falls prevention workshops to anyone in the county.

The 12-week falls prevention program features both an educational element and exercise activities that will help participants minimize their likelihood of falling.

"It's looking at everything from preventative falls, so getting information to the younger adult before they fall, to after someone has fallen and what to do," said Angela Andrews, of the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge Health Unit. "It's that whole circle of care."

The Falls Prevention Network works with many area service providers including Haliburton County Paramedics, HKPR Health Unit, Family Health Team and Community Care Haliburton County.

The goal is to decrease the likelihood of falling, through making positive lifestyle changes, including safer ways of doing everyday activities.

Topics covered in the program include outdoor hazards, home safety, nutrition, foot care and footwear, vision and more.

The network is hoping to spread the message throughout the county by visiting local organizations and groups to offer the program.

"We just want to get to all groups," said Nancy Brownsberger, community outreach co-ordinator at Community Care. "So it can be a church group or a quilters group or a Legion ... any type of organization that's interested in getting more information about it."

Organizers stress the program is not just for seniors, but is helpful to anyone in the 55 and over demographic.

"I think it goes back to society's thinking of falls and how it just happens when you age and that's just sort of the reality," said Andrews. "Well that's not the case. So it's getting that accurate information out there, that there's a lot of things that can be done to prevent falls from happening and it doesn't just happen when you age."

For many seniors if a fall does occur the likelihood of staying in their home after decreases, said Brownsberger.

"These are the things we have to think about with older seniors," she said.

Research shows that physical activity helps prevent seniors from falling, because they're more mobile and stable, said

Andrews.

"It's just taking care of your overall health," she said.

In addition to falls prevention, the health-care group is also offering balanced fitness classes, which targets areas such as strength, endurance, balance and flexibility.

Exercises are for all levels and are done either seated or standing and are 45 minutes long.

Classes take place at Parklane Apartments in Haliburton on Tuesdays at 2 p.m. and Thursdays at 11:30 a.m.

In Minden classes are offered at Hyland Crest on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and Thursdays at 2 p.m.

Organizers are hoping to offer exercise classes in Wilberforce soon.

For more information on the classes or the falls prevention program contact Closing the Gap Healthcare at 1-800-339-7792 ext. 4070 or email info@closingthegap.ca.



Music for the Community (Living)

Cassidy Glecoff was one of a number of local artists who performed at music festival that was a fundraiser for Community Living during the weekend.

Chad Ingram Staff



BALANCED FITNESS



These classes meet twice weekly for a balanced exercise routine which focuses on the basic building blocks of strength, endurance, balance and flexibility. The exercises are done to music either seated or standing behind a chair. The classes are 45 minutes in length and run year round.

These are **free** to all seniors and are drop-in classes.

Haliburton - Highlands Medical Supplies - next to community room. 10:30 am

Wilberforce - Maplevue Apartments - 12:30 p.m.

Minden - Hyland Crest/Hospital - 2:15 p.m.

For more information about the classes call Closing The Gap at 1-800-339-7792, extension 4070 or by email at info@closingthegap.ca.



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Step right up with your odd fruits and veggies

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Have a potato with too many eyes?
Or perhaps a carrot that looks like a pair of legs?
Then you just might have a winner on your hands.
The Haliburton County Farmers' Market Association is seeking the oddest looking fruits and vegetables for a new contest they are introducing this summer.
The Oddest Looking Vegetable Contest was an idea spearheaded by market manager Gailon Valleau, who

thought it would be a good idea for the area.
"If you grow vegetables, or even at farmers' markets you find sometimes a potato or a tomato that looks really funny and you don't necessarily want to eat it because it looks so funny," she said.
The market will be hosting three contests, one in July, August and September.
Anyone can participate by bringing fruit or vegetable to any of the two markets during the month. Judging will take place during the last market of the month.
A panel of judges comprised of vendors and market board directors will decide who takes home top honours.

Prizes are still being finalized, said Valleau.
"Basically between now and then [the final market of the month] you can bring odd looking vegetable to either market," said the manager.
Entries can either be left with Valleau or a picture will be taken if participants want to take their entry home with them.
Any type of fruit or vegetable that is grown is eligible, along with any type of produce bought in a store, as long as it's grown in Ontario and is fresh.
"I'm hoping that we'll get entries," she said. "Especially with the season running so late ... I think it's going to be a really fun thing."
Entries are only eligible for one contest and do not carry over to the next month.
Judging dates are July 29 at the Haliburton market, Aug. 29 in Carnarvon and Sept. 30 in Haliburton.
The Haliburton County Farmers' Markets take place on Tuesdays in Head Lake Park in Haliburton from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. and on Fridays in Carnarvon beside Rhubarb restaurant from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.



Darren Lum Staff

This gingerroot could be described as an odd vegetable, making it a good candidate for the Oddest Looking Vegetable contest hosted by the Haliburton County Farmers Market Association's new contest. The first contest will take place on July 29.

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HCPL's Junior Book of the Month

Clara and Davie by Patricia Polacco

Clara Barton grew up to be a nurse and the founder of the American Red Cross. But before this, she was a shy young girl on a Massachusetts farm, often ridiculed and called lazy because of her lisp. A lover of all creatures great and small, Clara finds a champion in her brother Davie. In *Clara and Davie*, Patricia Polacco writes affectionately about her famous relative, pioneer nurse Clara Barton, as a child and her brother Davie who saw in her the great woman she could become. Davie takes Clara to the library to borrow books about nature, and soon Clara is borrowing medical books as well. Her healing talents are soon challenged when Davie is injured in an accident and at the tender age of 10 she is tasked with nursing him back to health.

Clara and Davie, written and illustrated by Patricia Polacco, is an inspiring tale about seeing the potential in those around us. It is available to reserve at the Haliburton County Public Library.

Library News

July and August, join us at HCPL for Kids' Craft and Story Time, weekly in Dysart Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., Minden Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m., Stanhope each Wednesday at 1:00 p.m., and Wilberforce each Thursday at 1:30 p.m. Come for a fun summertime craft and a story. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

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Keith Tallman Arena clock scores makeover

Wilberforce

Hilda Clark

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The score clock at the Keith Tallman Arena is to be refurbished with new displays and controls. The Old Rec Committee which is organizing the Penny Raffle this Saturday, July 19 has arranged for this work on the clock.

The cost will be funded in two ways. The staff at the local Scotiabank branch is selling tickets on a carved bear donated by Highland Creek Builders. Tickets are one for \$5 or three for \$10.

The bank has agreed to support branch community volunteers by matching the funds raised by staff. As well as buying tickets at the bank, staff will be pleased to sell you tickets at the Penny Raffle. Last year they raised more than \$1,000 for the library with a similar project. The balance of cost for clock will be covered by funds from the Maple Syrup Festival.

There always seems to be fun things to do in this area. Recently there was a Legion fish derby for youngsters. The annual Croquet and Tea at the Outpost museum was fun there by Dark Lake last Thursday afternoon for the small group that attended.

The 85th birthday of Eva Linkert was celebrated by family and friends at the Wilberforce Legion on Saturday afternoon. What a lovely party for a fine lady. Best wishes for many more happy healthy years, Eva.

This coming weekend has opportunities for much

community involvement. Saturday, July 19 is Heritage Day in Highland Grove.

The fun begins at 10 a.m. and goes on until 3 p.m. Of course the Kidd's Corner School, a restored one room log building will be open. It is a gem filled with artifacts and with many books full of genealogy information about pioneer families in that area.

There will be a bake table, books for sale and flea market tables. The band Northern Jam will entertain and food hot off the barbecue will please visitors. There are flea market tables still available if you have treasures for sale. Call Jane at 705-448-9546 or Joanne at 705-448-2218 to book a space. Sounds like fun.

After a short break head on down to the arena here in Wilberforce to check out the array of prizes that have been so generously donated for the Penny Raffle. Tickets can be purchased and deposited between 1 and 3 p.m. in the afternoon and 5:30 to 8 p.m. in the evening. The actual raffle begins at 8 p.m. and you or someone with your ticket stubs must be there to win.

This event is more than a raffle. There are games, face painting, tattoos, popcorn, free hot dogs from Bowes and Cockes and John Bower Real Estate, and the arena snack bar will be open. And by popular demand the Mad Hatter table is back ready to help you create an entertaining hat. Look for some marvelous creations parading about.

Still have some prizes to donate? We'd love them. Leave them soon at Agnew's or the Bostonian Motel. Funds raised will go to help with improvements at the

curling club.

We are sorry to learn of the death of Arnold Stamp. Arnold William Stamp died quietly at the hospital in Haliburton on the evening of July 9. A resident of Tory Hill for many years he had been unwell this spring and only in hospital for a short time.

Arnold was well loved by his family as he coped with the deaths of his wife Shirley and two of his adult children Sheila and Terry in recent years. Sympathy is extended to daughters Estella Morrison, Valerie Foster, Caroline Stamp and Cathy Stamp and daughter-in-law Linda Stamp, his grandchildren, his brother Bud and all of his family and friends. A private family graveside service will be held later at the Wilberforce cemetery.

Barbara Jane Fudger a resident of Wilberforce died at the hospital in Haliburton Wednesday morning, July 9. She was in her 84th year. She was the wife of the late Charles Fudger and the late Ken Young. She will be fondly remembered by her family and friends. In the years since she and Ken semi-retired here she has enjoyed the caring supportive community of friends especially at the United Church. A graveside service will be held later at the Wilberforce cemetery.

At the Outpost Historic House on three Tuesday mornings July 15, 22 and 29 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Memories of War will be the theme of stories told or read. An informal get-together to remember as we are in the 100th year since the First World War started in 1914. Coffee will be ready. Do come out. Share a story or even a poem.

Monarch Bible camp provides multitudes of activities

West Guilford

Eleanor Cooper

754-2278

Congratulations to Ed and Helen Jesseman of Keene, who have celebrated their 71st wedding anniversary with their daughter Susan (or Liz as she is known here) at the Pine Lake home on July 10. May they continue to be blessed with good health and happiness.

Congratulations to Margaret and Jim Milne on their 50th anniversary celebrated at their open house at home on July 8, although the actual date was June 29. Jim's brother David and his wife Mary, his sister Janet, his sister Iris and her husband John and his sister Heather and her husband Brian gathered for the special occasion at which we were invited to join in a toast in their honour. Their son Paul and two of his daughters, Emily and Madison also came to the celebration. May joy and health continue to bless their marriage.

Monarch Bible Camp at the West Guilford Baptist Church under the direction of Teresa Ward engaged the interest of 34 children this July. This annual event offers recreational skills such as archery, trampoline, kayaking, canoeing and swimming, to name a few.

Drama and crafts, co-operative learning, wall climbing and campfires are all embraced in an atmosphere of Christian care and consideration.

The final afternoon involved a presentation of Daniel and the Lions, which demonstrated dramatic skills displayed with humour and enthusiasm. Well done, actors and all who made costumes. Call 405-887-3625 for information of further camps in Minden, Cobocok, Haliburton and Eagle Lake.

Euchre scores:

High - Dianne Madonik and Gerald Hadley

Low - Eleannor Cooper and Perry Morison

Most Lone Hands - Madeline Doyle and Rod Smyth

A quiet ceremony of dedication is being held at the St. Peter's Anglican Church cemetery on Friday, July 18, at 2 p.m., the Rev. Joan Cavanaugh officiating, when the gravesite of a James Stevens is recognized. His granddaughter, Jane Pilaar can be contacted at 489-1488 for information. Stevens and Sisson connections are encouraged to attend.

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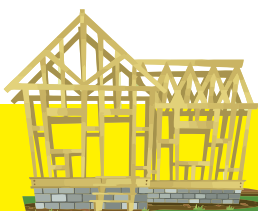
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In Loving Memory of
Margaret Helen Bull (nee Glennie)

Born and raised in Toronto, October 1, 1927. Retired to Minden Hills, Haliburton since 1989. Summer Cottage on Big Bob Lake for 51 years.

Margaret was the youngest of the Glennie clan of 7 – Predeceased by her siblings – twins Jack and Alex Glennie, Jean Stewart, Phyllis Moss, Marion McIlree, and Melvin Glennie. She leaves husband W. George of 64 years. Three children Christine (Jim Fleming), Glenn (Ellen), Dave (Nancy). Three grandchildren Kevin, Leanne, Jennifer and many nieces and nephews.

Margaret's 15 minutes of fame came when in a curling bonspiel at Haliburton she skipped her Minden team to her second eight-ender and it was front page news in the Minden paper. Her first was in Toronto at Avonlea Curling Club. Margaret curled till her 80th year. In her younger years she enjoyed pleasure and speed ice skating, bowling, dancing and line dancing.

A member of the United Church and U.C. Women in Toronto and United Church in Minden, also a member of the Haliburton and Minden Hospital Auxiliary for 20 years.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden on Friday, July 11, 2014 from 7:00 – 9:00 pm and then on Saturday, July 12, 2014 from 10:00 am until the time of the Funeral Service at the Minden United Church, 21 Newcastle St., Minden at 11:00 am. Reception to follow at the Church (downstairs). Interment to follow at Ingoldsby Pioneer Cemetery.

Memorial Donations to the Minden Health Care Auxiliary or the Minden Food Bank would be appreciated by the family.



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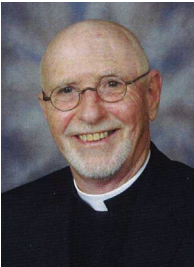
Geoffrey G. Robinson



QC, WWII Veteran, Norwegian Merchant Marine, subsequently LT. (SB) RCN (R.)(RET.) died peacefully on July 7th, 2014 at Trillium Manor, Orillia, Ontario.

Geoff was born in Toronto in 1926, raised and educated in Etobicoke, Lambton Mills P.S. and Etobicoke H.S. Following the war, he attended U of T for 1 year then attended Osgoode Hall Law School from which he graduated in 1950, following which he was called to the Bar. He was a cofounder of The Toronto Law Firm Mitchell, Robinson and practiced in Toronto until his retirement in 1995. Survived by his wife Gwen, his one and only true love. Also survived by his daughter Beverley Grant (Ian), son Peter (Cathy), daughter Marta Doucet (Marc), and his 7 grandchildren; Jeff, Stephanie, Matthew, Kevin, Kelly, Jena, Jaime and great grandchildren Keace and Ryden. Survived by his sister Marion Fricke (Larry). Pre-deceased by brothers Bev (Doris) and Bob (Alice).

Geoff was a long-time resident in Haliburton County (1951-2007). Firstly as a cottager (Boshkung Lake), 20 years farming in the wilds of Blairhampton and finally Dysart Township on Grass Lake. He was active with a number of community associations; Boshkung Lake Cottager Assoc, Sugarbush Cottagers, HHOA, HHRC, Minden AE Society (Sponsors of the Haliburton County Fair), Minden Curling Club, Blairhampton Golf Club, Minden Legion and St. Georges Anglican Church, Haliburton. Since 2008, Geoff was an active member of St. James Anglican Church in Orillia, Ontario. At Geoff's request, there will be no funeral service. Cremation was immediate, following which his ashes will be delivered to The Royal Canadian Navy for burial in the Atlantic Ocean. Special thanks to Dr. W. Tillmann and the staff at Trillium Manor, Orillia for their wonderful care. A celebration of life will take place on Saturday, July 19th at 11:00 am at St. James Anglican Church, 58 Peter St N, Orillia. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Society (Orillia Branch) or St. James Anglican Church, Orillia.



Reverend Murray C Farwell

Reverend Murray C Farwell died peacefully in the early hours on Monday morning, July 7, 2014 fortified by the Sacraments of the Church and surrounded by the love and prayer of family and friends at the age of 69. Father Murray is deeply mourned by his family, the clergy, religious and lay faithful of the Diocese of Hamilton and the Canadian Armed Forces Chaplaincy.

Father Murray was the son of the late Clemens and M. Vera (Lynett) Farwell and survived by his loving sisters Joan Thomas and Marjorie MacDonald & husband Wayne and several nephews and nieces. Predeceased by his sister, Elaine Kunda and brother-in-law Warner Thomas.

Born on June 28, 1945 in Mount Forest, Ontario, he was ordained to the priesthood in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton, Ontario on the 13 May, 1972. In the five and half years following his ordination he was assigned to several parishes. In November 1977 he joined the Canadian Military as a chaplain and served across Canada, Europe and the Middle East with exceptional dedication and ministry to all. He attained the rank of Brigadier General in 1999 and was named the Chaplain General of the Canadian Military. In 2000, he had the solemn and historic honour of repatriating Canada's Unknown Soldier from Vimy Ridge, France and presided over the interment in Ottawa at the National War Memorial. In 2001, he was made a Commander of the Order of Military Merit by the Governor General of Canada. Following his retirement from the Canadian Military in 2002, Father Farwell eagerly and generously served as pastor of Saint Mary of the Purification in Mount Forest and St. Peter Parish in Ayton. Father Farwell's love of his priestly ministry was reflected through his pastoral solicitude for all of the people of God, those with or without faith and had a particular affection for the parish of his baptism. Solemn Translation on Thursday July 10th at 3:00p.m. to the Church of St. Mary of the Purification. Lying in State to follow until the celebration of Evening Prayer at 7:00 p.m. Lying in State will continue on the morning of Friday July 11th from

10:30 a.m. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by the Most Reverend David Douglas Crosby, Bishop of Hamilton, at 12 noon. Private Rite of Committal with take place at a future date in the family plot at St. Clements Cemetery, St. Clements, Ontario.

Requiescat in pace
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Husband E. James Scheffee who passed away 2012 in his 83rd year.

Mother Pearl Fearry who passed away 1975 in her 59th year.

Father Harvey Fearry who passed away 1986 in his 82 year.

Brother Bruce Fearry who passed away 2012 in his 78 year.

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Howard Mervin Roberts (Fourth Generation Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)



At Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday afternoon, July 8, 2014 in his 89th year. Beloved husband of Gladys Roberts (nee Formica). Loving father of Steve (Andrea) of Haliburton, Joe (Heather) of Haliburton, and Ed (Marilyn) of Waterloo. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Kori, Sarah, Emily, Matthew (Laura), Erica, Carson, Braden, Amanda (Ivan) and Jenna (Jeff) and his great grandchild Taylor. Also lovingly remembered by his extended family and many close friends. Howard was the retired Roads Superintendent for Dysart et al, the retired Chief of the Haliburton Volunteer Fire Department, and was actively involved in and recognized in the Community in many ways over the past 50 years. Howard was greatly liked and respected by all those who were fortunate enough to have met him.

Visitation, Funeral Service & Reception

Friends were invited to call at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy 118, Haliburton, Ontario 705-457-9209 on Thursday, July 10, 2014 from 2-4 & 7-9 PM. Funeral Service in the Chapel on Friday afternoon, July 11, 2014 at 1:30 PM (Visitation one hour prior). Interment St. Anthony's RC Cemetery, Haliburton, Ontario. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation - Palliative Care Unit would be appreciated by the family. Masonic brethren are asked to assemble at the Funeral Home on Thursday, July 10, 2014 for a Masonic Service at 6:30 PM.

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Thank You

Cheryl James and family wish to Thank the many friends for their kindness and support through this trying time.

The outpouring of food, monetary contributions, the array of flowers, many cards, phone calls and visits were much appreciated.

A special thank you to the Haliburton Highlands District Hospital for the care given to Winston and his family during his stay.

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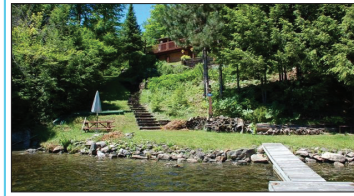
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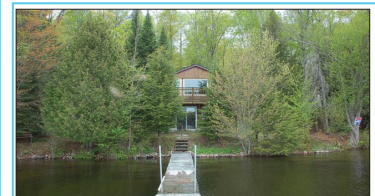
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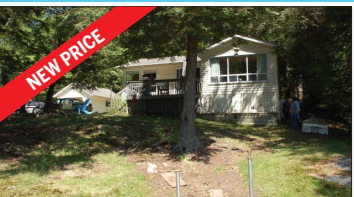
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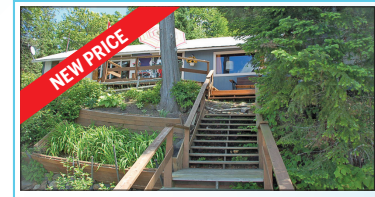
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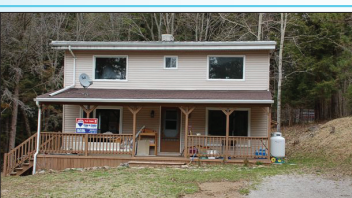
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